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MONTEREY COUNTY – Here are the major <u>scheduled</u> road and lane closures for the areas between Salinas and North Monterey County from Sunday, October 9, through Sunday, October 16 - newest information is in red.

<u>Highway 68 through Downtown Salinas: October 10 – October 16</u>

- Night work for the Highway 68 overlay project in Downtown Salinas will take place from Monday, October 10 through Friday, October 14, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- There will also be some day time work to fix the pavement near Salinas High School on Monday, October 10.
 - Work will start at 9 a.m. and be completed by 1 p.m.
 - Up to 10-minute delays are anticipated with the daytime closures.

Highway 1 to Highway 68: October 9 – October 13

- Highway 68 connector to southbound Highway 1, and the northbound Highway 1 off ramp to eastbound Highway 68, will be closed on Sunday night, October 9, through Thursday night, October 13, from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- There will also be a lane closure on Hwy. 68, from just south of Toro Park to Reservation Road, from Monday, October 10, to Thursday, October 13, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Prunedale Improvement Project: October 9 – October 16

- Caltrans will move nouthbound HWY 101 traffic on to the new nouthbound HWY 101 detour on Wednesday, October 12.
 - o The move will happen after 7:30 p.m.
 - o Travelers on nouthbound HWY 101 may experience some delays
 - CHP will be on duty to assist with the move.

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- Night work from Monday, Oct. 10 Friday, Oct. 14, on HWY 101 at Russell and Espinosa between the hours of 7:30 p.m. and 6 a.m. will close:
 - o The left turn to Espinosa Rd from the northbound Hwy 101
 - The right turn to Russell Rd from northbound Hwy 101
 - The right turn to Espinosa Rd from southbound Hwy 101
 - Emergency responders will have access at all times.
- Blackie Road remains closed from Highway 101 to Borromeo Drive until November 7.
 - During construction there will be no entrance to Blackie Road from either Highway
 101 or Prunedale South Road. (Please see graphic at the end of this news release.)
 - Blackie Road at Prunedale South Road will be closed to all but emergency response vehicles.
 - o The closure is necessary to install a new box culvert that will go underneath Blackie Rd.
 - o More information about this closure is available at http://www.tamcmonterey.org
- The Northbound HWY 101 on and off ramps at Russell/Espinosa will be closed intermittently between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. until late October, 2011.
 - Crews will be:
 - Widening and reconstructing North Main St. from Russell Rd to 1000 feet south of the Russell Rd/Main St. intersection;
 - Working on storm drainage systems and a traffic signal; and
 - Making improvements along Russell Rd. and Harrison Rd.
 - Work hours for this project will be from 8:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.
 - Flaggers will be in the area to direct traffic.
- Cross Rd. in Prunedale is closed to through traffic for approximately six months; the road is open to residents and emergency responders.
 - Caltrans is removing the pavement, installing several new box culverts, and making improvements along Cross Rd. and Reese Circle.
 - Throughout this construction Cross Rd will be open for residents, but will be closed to through traffic.
 - Detour signs will be posted throughout the area.
 - During this period Granite Construction crews will be working from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.

Highway 68: October 9 – October 16

 Monterey County Public Works continues its work along HWY 68 and San Benancio, which will go on until December 2011. This work is being done during the day; drivers should be alert. Most work will be done behind the concrete barriers that are set up, but minor delays can be expected.

Please drive safely and exercise caution in the construction zones.